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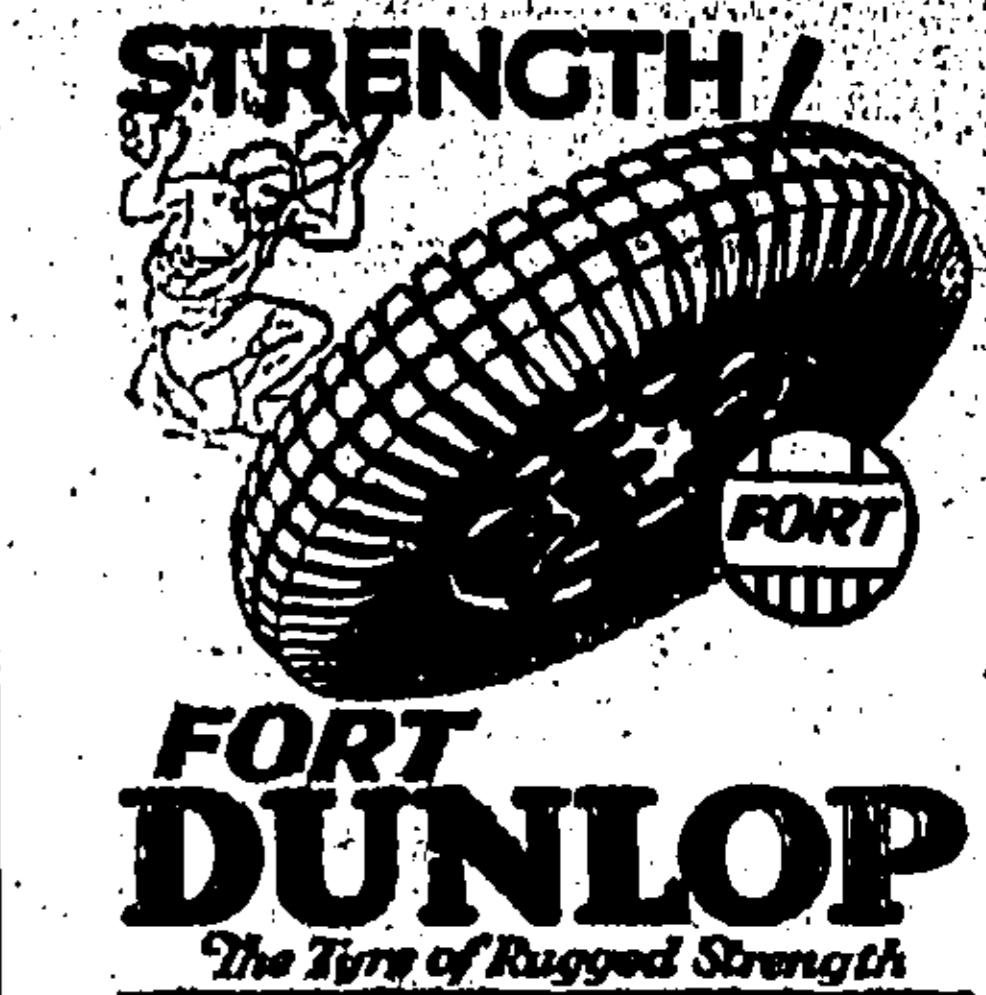
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## Britain's Air Speed "Ace" Crashes in Schneider Plane.

S-6 B Sinks off Calshot.  
Stainforth's Escape.

### A SUDDEN SKID.

London, Sept. 16. Flight Lieutenant Stainforth, Britain's air speed "ace", met with a mishap this afternoon, in the Vickers Supermarine Rolls-Royce S-6 B in which, on Sunday, he created a new world's air speed record of 379 miles an hour.

The seaplane has sunk in eight fathoms of water and a buoy has been placed to mark the spot. Lieutenant Stainforth had a very narrow escape, and it is regarded as remarkable that the consequences of the crash were not more serious.

The accident occurred after Lieut. Stainforth had carried out a practice flight in the machine. A new air screw had been fitted to the machine and the flight was made primarily to test the screw.

After half an hour in the air, he was about to make an apparently perfect landing when, for no clear reasons, the machine suddenly skidded and capsized.

Lieut. Stainforth was trapped in the cockpit, but he managed to free himself, scrambled out and clambered on to one of the floats, from which he was taken off by a motor-boat.

He sustained a few bruises only. The plane later sank, and salvage efforts are to be made in the morning.

#### No Alteration of Plans.

It is understood that the mishap will in no way affect the new attempt on the speed record, which Stainforth is to make as soon as the specially tuned Rolls-Royce engine reaches Calshot and can be fitted to the other Schneider S-6 B, in which Flight Lieut. Boothman captured the Trophy.—*British Wireless*.

### BELIZE DISASTER DEATH-ROLL.

#### NOW ESTIMATED AT A THOUSAND.

London, Sept. 16.

A telegram received by the Colonial Office from the Governor of British Honduras regarding the Belize disaster reports, that the situation is well in hand, and estimates the total deaths at about 1,000. Medical and personal supplies are adequate.

The people have shown an unusual spirit, and it was not necessary to declare martial law.

—*British Wireless*.

### WHERE IS SPAIN HEADING?

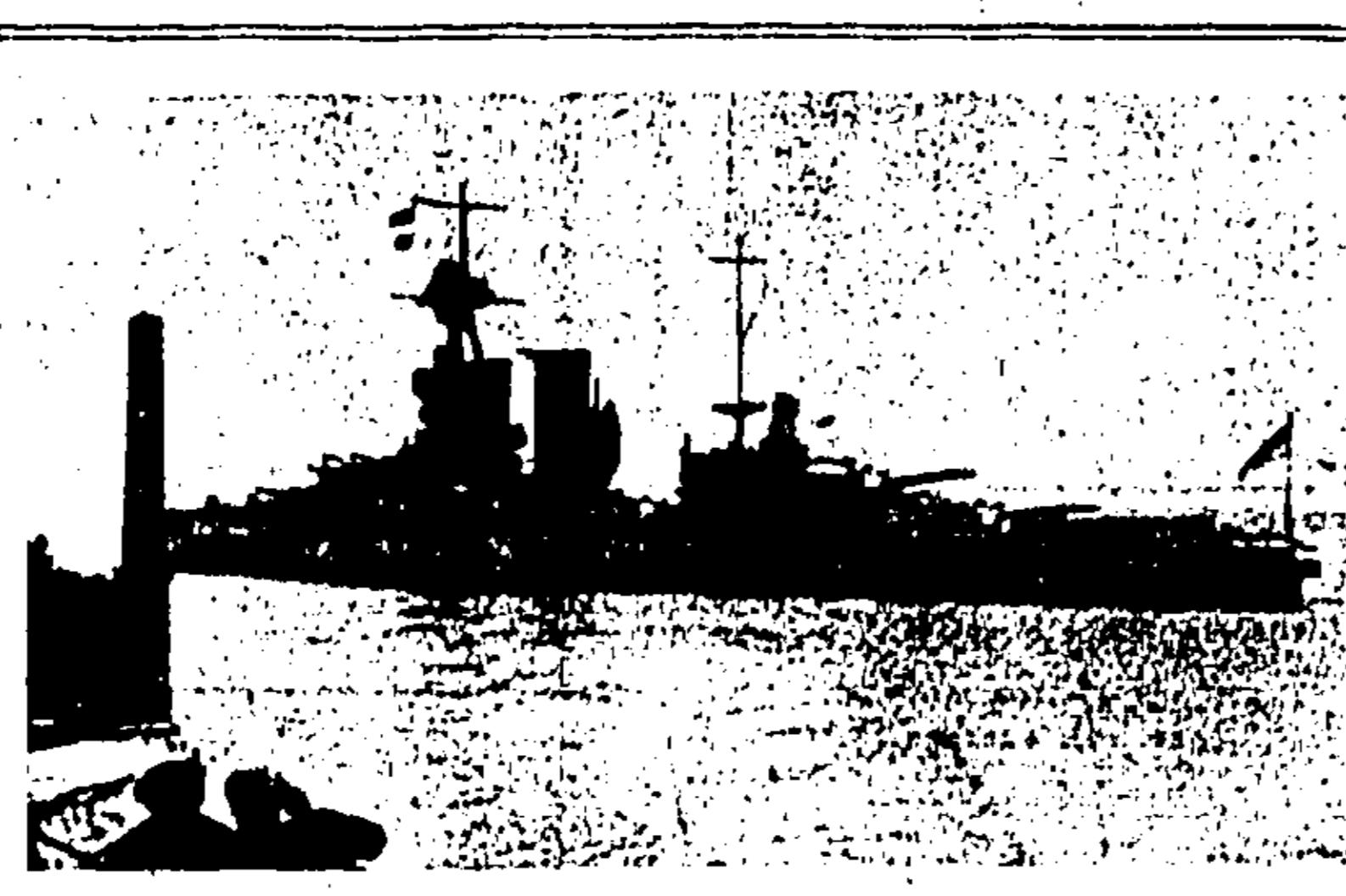
#### DECLARED WORKER'S REPUBLIC.

Madrid, Sept. 16.

Spain is declared a "Worker's Republic" by an amendment to the First Article of the new Constitution.

One hundred and seventy members of the Cortes voted in favour of the amendment and 152 against.

—*Reuters*.



H.M.S. Iron Duke at Rosyth. Her men have addressed a petition to the Admiralty against the cuts.

### STARTLING SHANGHAI 'WAR' RUMOUR

#### JAPAN SAID TO BE MOBILISING.

#### THE NAKAMURA INCIDENT.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Sept. 17. Persistent rumours that the Japanese Government is secretly mobilising troops, preparatory to moving against Manchuria in connexion with the Nakamura incident, has caused almost a panic in the gold bar exchange.

Japanese are responsible for very heavy selling of gold bars in anticipation of a drop directly the military situation becomes known.

Nanking, Sept. 16. Interviewed by Japanese journalists, Dr. C. T. Wang said that the Nakamura incident would be adjusted in a just manner. When the investigations are completed and allegations corroborated, the culprits would be punished according to Chinese laws.

The disappearance of Nakamura, if true, would be similar to the unfortunate disappearance of other aliens travelling in any country.

Therefore, the reported nation-wide indignation in Japan over Nakamura's disappearance is inexplicable to the Chinese people.

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also regretted that President Chiang had been misguided when he adverted to imperialist menace in China. The attitude of the National Government vis-à-vis Japan is best demonstrated by actions, not by words.—*Sino News Service*.

### Pacific Fliers Found Alive After Eleven Days.

#### Moyle's Dramatic Message to Fiancee: On Uninhabited Island.

Seattle, Sept. 16.

The greatest excitement has been created by report from one of the coastguard cutters in the Aleutian Islands region, that Don Moyle and Cecil Allen, the American aviators who left Tokyo on September 5 on a trans-Pacific flight and had been given up for lost, have been found.

They had been missing for eleven days and the search had hitherto been continued without any confidence in the possibility of finding them alive.

The latest information shows that Moyle and Allen were found safe and unharmed on an uninhabited island in Olyutorski Gulf, north of Kamchatka. They had covered about 2,000 miles when forced to descend.

Message to Fiancee.

A most dramatic message from the fliers, addressed to Miss Frances Brisson, Moyle's fiancee, has reached the Naval Radio Station at St. Paul Island, as follows:

### Local Tax Increases.

#### Tobacco and Petrol.

Increases in the tobacco and petrol duties, announced this morning to take effect immediately, have been ordered by His Excellency the Governor under the Public Revenue Protection Ordinance.

There is a new impost upon spirituous liquors other than intoxicating liquors at the rate of \$10 per gallon. This embraces perfumed spirits, medicated spirits, toilet preparations, containing more than 10 per cent. of alcohol.

The petrol tax is increased from 15 cents to 25 cents per gallon.

The duty on cigars is increased from \$1.50 to \$2.00; on cigarettes from 75 cents to 90 cents, and on other manufactured tobacco, 75 cents to 90 cents.

On stripped and unstripped tobacco, the duties are increased approximately by 40 per cent.

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## THE LATE MR. KAN FOON-CHANG.

MEMORIAL SERVICE HELD  
YESTERDAY.

A service in memory of the late Mr. Kan Foon-chang was held in Hop Yat Hall, Bonham Road, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and was largely attended. Dr. S. Y. Wong presided. He said:

We are assembled here this afternoon to do homage to one whom we all love, and whom God loves no less. The late Mr. Kan Foon-chang was born on August 19, 1897, in Chung Shan District, Kwong Tung, and was educated in Hongkong and Tientsin. In 1919 he with several others founded the Chark Kwan Free School for poor children. For the school he collected over \$3,000 and to the school he donated not only his energies but also a sum of \$600.

Scarcely had he come of age than he was called upon to shoulder the responsibility of the family by the sudden death of his elder brother, the late Mr. Kan Yeung-chi, who contributed his entire fortune of over six lakhs to the cause of republican freedom in China, to the utter ruin of the Kan Family. From 1921, the year in which his brother died, to 1929, the year in which his younger brother, Mr. Kan Yik-chow, his sisters, Miss Kan Ching-yuen and Miss Kan Cheuk-kwong, and his nephew, Mr. Kan Man-hin, all graduated with B. A. degrees from Chung Shan University, Canton, the late Mr. Kan devoted his body and soul to the improvement of his family fortune in general and to the education of his brothers, sisters and nephews in particular, so much so that he, out of brotherly love, denied himself the blissful happiness of wedlock despite the many offers of marriage from high quarters—a most self-sacrificing act in these days of decadence for the ancient code of Chinese morals.

## HANKOW'S PLIGHT.

### BLACK SLIME LEFT BY RECEDING WATERS.

Hankow, Sept. 16. The water mark-to-day dropped below fifty feet, a rapid current of swirling water rushing through the streets to the river.

The higher parts of the city are now only ankle-deep, and most of the shops in the native city have reopened.

Where the water recedes, thick black slime covers everything, and the stench is unbearable.

Yesterday the weather suddenly turned cold, and the refugees in the exposed camps are shivering. A committee has been formed to distribute padded clothes.—*Reuters*.

### More Donations Needed.

The Tung Wah Hospital Committee have issued a special appeal in connexion with the Yangtze floods. Contributions may be sent to the Tung Wah Hospital Yangtze Flood Fund, care of the Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital, and will be duly acknowledged in detail. The appeal follows:

"In view of the seriousness of the flood disaster in North China which has affected more than ten provinces, leaving the surviving millions in a most pitiful and wretchedly destitute state, this Hospital has appropriated a sum of \$30,000 from the surplus of the Flood Relief Fund for remittance to the affected areas for relief through channels which command the utmost confidence, and the present Directors have personally contributed what they could towards the Relief Fund that has been instituted. But as the areas affected are extensive and the disaster most serious, we are afraid that unless a very large sum of money is subscribed nothing much can be achieved. We therefore most earnestly appeal to the public to give what they can. Donations, which will be duly acknowledged, should be forwarded to this Hospital which will remit them to the affected areas without delay."

(Sd.) Directors of Tung Wah Hospital. — Ngan Shing-kwan, Chairman; W. N. Thomas Tam, Principal Director; Chan Lim-pak, Principal Director.

Advisory Board of Tung Wah Hospital.—Shouson Chow, R. H. Kotewall, Tsu Seen-wan, Robert Ho Tung, Li Yau-tsun, Wong Kwong-tin, Li Po-kwai, Lo Cheung-shiu."

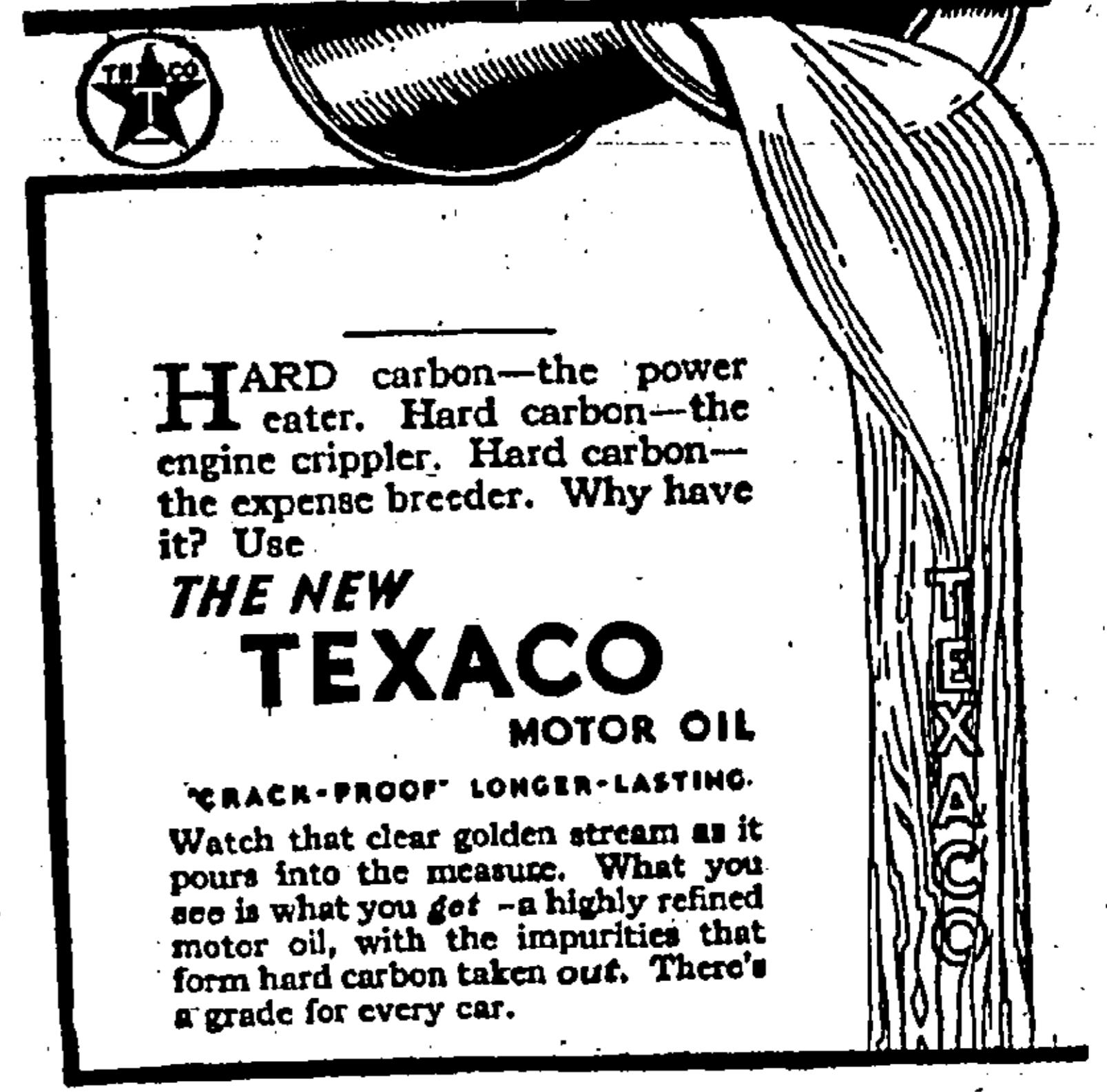
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## FAST TRAVEL.

BRITISH TRAIN BREAKS  
RECORD AT 85 M.P.H.

London, Sept. 14.

The world's record for the fastest train journey (start to stop) was gained for Britain to-day by the "Cheltenham Flyer." Starting from Swindon the train covered the 77.25 miles to Paddington (London) in one hour and at times reached a speed of 85 miles an hour.

Large crowds at Paddington cheered the train as it entered the platform and during the run hundreds thronged bridges and other vantage points to see it pass.

The previous record of 68.9 miles an hour was held by the Canadian Pacific Railway train which beat the Cheltenham Flyer's previous record 66.2 last April.

An Even Better Effort.

London, Sept. 16. The Great Western Railway express "Cheltenham Flyer," which on Monday broke the world's record for a start to stop run, yesterday beat its own record by making the run between Swindon and Paddington in 58 minutes, at an average speed of nearly 80 miles an hour.

The run on Monday was accom-  
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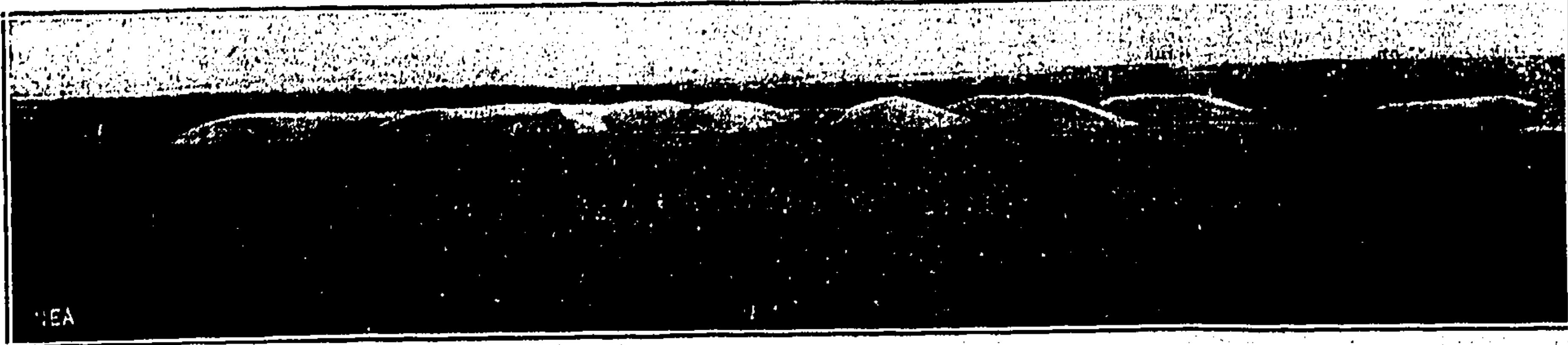
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Our photo shows 25,000 bushels of wheat piled on the ground of a farm near Ulysses, Kansas. The owner has announced that it will lie there until he can get enough for the grain "to pay the expenses of harvesting it."



Al Capone entering the Court on the run, to avoid Press photographers. He was unsuccessful, as picture indicates. It seems doubtful now whether he will be indicted for his 5,000 or is it 20,000 offences under the Prohibition Acts.



In other years, a fire in a Kansas wheat field would have been a great disaster. This year, a farmer was able to grin and say, "It really doesn't matter," when 640 acres of standing grain, ready for the combine, went up in smoke in a fire started by a careless smoker.

built. His mouth was a thin, cruel line. Hands in pockets, he lounged against the hilt, regarding the girl with a bitter, sardonic gaze.

"You're the smart kid who hopped Ginny Weisman over the head down at the gold const movies," he accused Liane. The girl's heart gave a wild leap. Did this explain the strange adventure in which she now found herself? Were these men friends of that captured bandit who had tried to hold up the box office at the Willow Stream Theatre?

But the man's next words bed this.

"Don't get me wrong," he leered. "Ginny's no pal of mine. I just remembered seein' your picture in the paper at that time."

"You talk too much," growled a voice from the doorway. Liane glanced up to see the first man's features glaring at them. "Get out," growled the newcomer.

"Always failing for a new skirt. Shut your gab and beat it."

The man with the iron grey hair stilled out, muttering.

"Now, look here, girl," began the newcomer in an oily tone more distasteful to Liane than his growl had been. "You keep quiet and you won't get hurt but if I hear you startin' any funny business—well, don't, that's all!"

"If you'd only tell me what it's all about," Liane began desperately.

They rode thereafter in silence broken only by the grunt of the man in the front seat. "Right here?" Liane heard the man beside her ask as the car slowed. A grunt from the front seat was the reply. The car seemed to turn.

For a few minutes they travelled under branches bending so low Liane could feel them scrape the tonneau. Then the car bumped over a deeply rutted lane and came to a standstill.

"Out here," commanded the surly voice. Liane felt herself carried. No use, she thought, to cry out now. She was in the hands of the enemy.

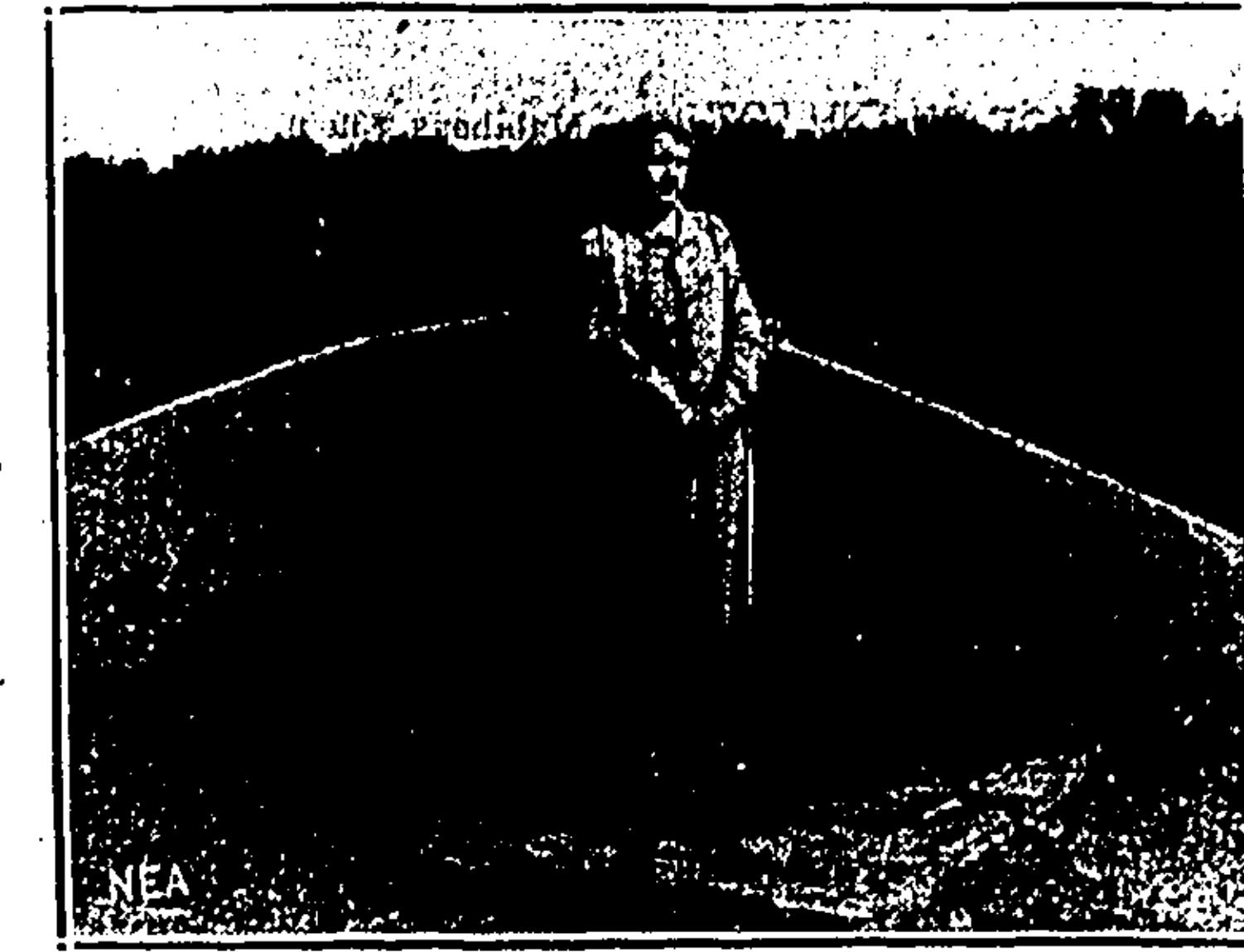
The man carrying her went up three steps that creaked under him. A door swung on protesting hinges and the fetid air of an overheated, underventilated room assailed Liane's nostrils.

Clumsy fingers fumbled at the tight knot of the black silk scarf which bound her eyes. The girl gasped with relief as the fastenings gave way. She was shivering all over now. Even the hot air of that stuffy room did not serve to warm her. Her teeth chattered as with ague as she glanced around. It was a boxlike room in a cheap house. Two mission chairs with collapsing springs stood in front of a gas grate. A bright green carpet of furious pattern adorned the floor. Everything was very dirty—windows, limp curtains, the floor itself. All this Liane took in in the split second before the man spoke.

"Sit down," he growled at her. "Because her knees would no longer obey her, the girl did as her captor commanded. An incongruous figure she was in that sordid place, with her frills, her bare shoulders.

She stared at the man who had carried her. The other one could be heard in the hall outside, shouting orders at some unseen henchmen.

The man returning Liane's stare was iron grey, so forbidding.



One of the western Kansas farmers who has piled her grain on the ground to await a better market is Miss Marion Talley, retired grand opera singer, shown above on one of the mounds of wheat that she has ordered her tenants to hold pending higher prices.

able. But she kept her shoulders up, stared him in the eye without quailing. She set her teeth to keep from screaming.

"Pretty little piece, you are," he purred at her. His big hand darted out to touch her bare shoulder.

Liane sprang back. Like lightning was her movement as she darted out of the big chair and away from the man's grasping fingers. But one foot was unshod and the other, in its high-heeled silver slipper, stumbled. She would have fallen if the man's hateful arm had not reached out to steady her.

"Leave me alone," the girl said bitterly. "You've done enough." She shrank from his fingers. "The man said roughly, "Hold still, you. I'll fix this cut."

The woman stood by regarding the tableau curiously out of her beady eyes.

Once she put out a soiled hand and touched Liane's petal soft dress.

"Pretty," she said wonderingly. Liane looked at her with something like hope. The woman seemed stupid but not unkind. But presently she waddled away again, leaving Liane alone with the two men and the girl's heart sank. Her head was giddy and a hot pain burned in one temple. Her teeth began to chatter as if with ague.

"Get her a shawl," commanded the iron grey man. From her place on the floor Liane could see him dimly. He was in the doorway looking fiercely at the man with the cat's eyes.

"You fool," he repeated. "Makin' passes at her and scarin' her to death so that she passes out and bumps her head on the corner of the table." He went into the hall and called in a raucous voice, "Molly!"

A fat woman in a dirty apron came. She had a red face with creases in it and her hair was done in a pancake on the top of her head.

"Molly, get me some clean rags and a pan of water," said the man with the iron grey hair. The woman ambled away. Liane lay there, still half dazed, hating the cold floor, the smell of blood and the icy water on her face and shoulders.

He returned to Liane, shook her by the shoulder. "Mind now, no funny business," he warned her. "Molly here has a gun. The place is watched. You stay where you are if you know what's good for you."

Liane nodded.

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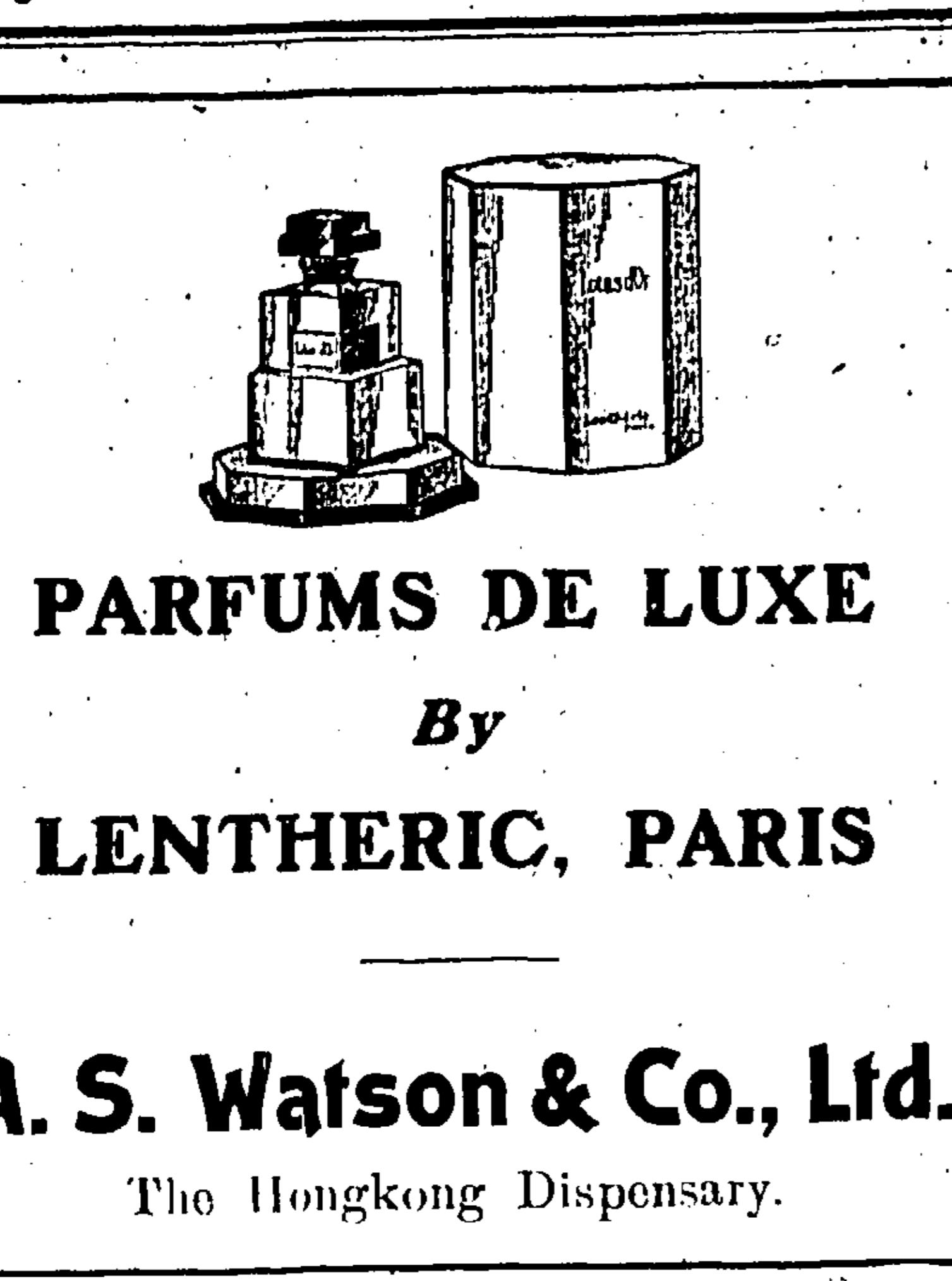
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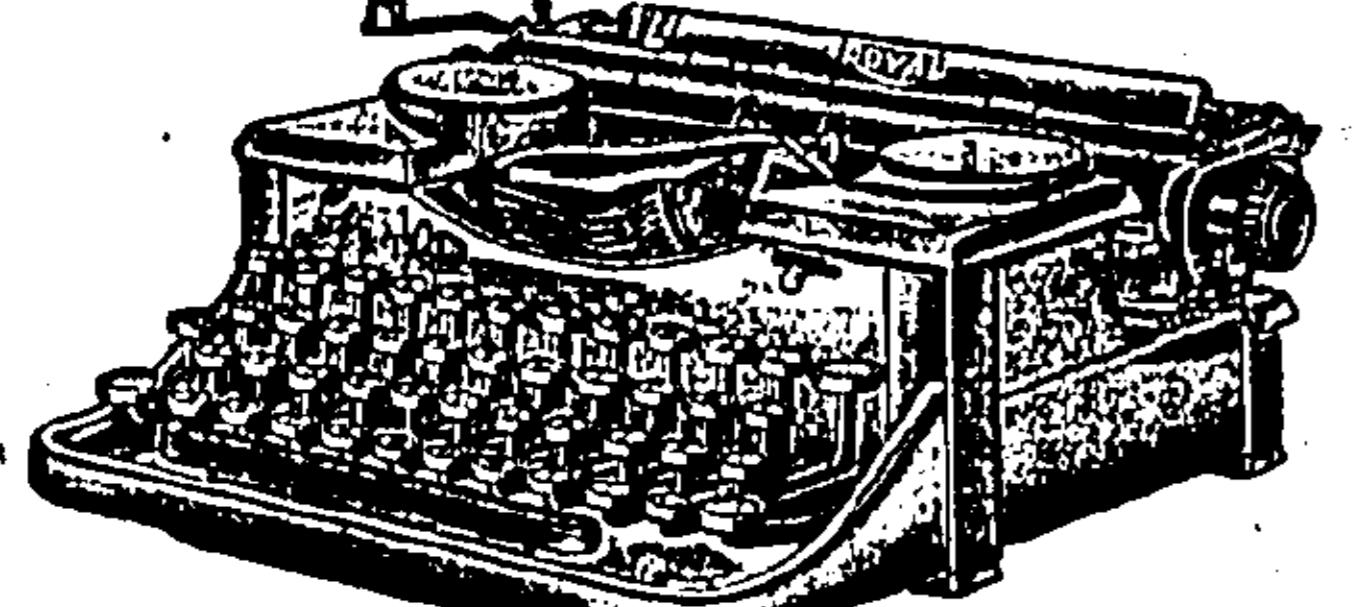
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#### DEATH.

CROLIUS.—Squadron Leader John R.  
Crolius, R.A.F., formerly of  
Hongkong, died at Port Said on  
20th August, 1931. Deeply re-  
gretted.

#### BIRTH.

CLARK.—At Victoria Hospital, to  
Evelyn, wife of Walter C. Clark,  
118 The Peak, on the 16th  
September, a son (John).

**The Hongkong Telegraph.**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1931.

#### THE GOLD PROBLEM.

It is becoming increasingly apparent that the world depression which is causing so much concern to practically all countries is primarily a monetary problem. That fact is slowly but surely impressing itself on statesmen and business men everywhere. It is easy to talk of restoring Britain's adverse balance of trade, as some of the Protectionists at Home are doing, by instituting a tariff, but the problem is not quite so simple as adjustment as that. As Mr. Snowden points out, a tariff to have that effect would have to be prohibitory and would therefore produce no revenue. The emergency tariff idea is exploded by the assertion that a tariff, once put on, remains: it therefore ceases to be an emergency tariff. But an even more effective submission than these is the fact that nations with tariffs are being just as badly hit just now as those with none. It is obvious, therefore, that tariffs of themselves cannot remedy the present situation.

In the House of Commons debate on Tuesday, we had the spectacle of Mr. Churchill, who, more than any other man was responsible for Britain reverting to the gold standard, pleading for a world conference on the gold situation. He would seem now to have very serious doubts whether the policy which he adumbrated was a wise one, but he appears to cover his tracks by suggesting that the artificial and abnormal distribution of gold in the past few years has created a new position. We can afford, however, to put on one side Mr. Churchill's inconsistencies. The main thing is that there is a growing volume of opinion in favour of going to the root of the world problem by looking into the operation of the present monetary system. It is common knowledge that the United States and France

have absorbed practically all the gold, but their reserves have become sterilized. They no longer serve as the basis of credit; they are, for all intents and purposes, useless. On this point, Mr. Churchill was right when he asserted that unless all the countries of the world can either utilize gold for the function which it has hitherto discharged, or can devise some new index of exchange, the continued fall of prices and the destruction of credit will reduce civilization to a breakdown and to ferocious barbarism. It is on this ground that the plea is made for an international conference on the gold question. What must strike the layman as difficult to understand is why there should be so much hesitancy over calling such a conference. Mr. Snowden's attitude on this is identical with the stand he took on the silver problem—the Government will be happy to attend a conference if one is held. Other nations have similarly reacted to the suggestion. Surely nothing would be lost, but everything gained, by an international examination of the whole question. If we can have world conferences on disarmament and such issues, why not on the gold problem? The mere calling of the gathering would not commit any nation.

The more the situation is looked into, the greater does the necessity appear of boldly grappling with the problem. There has latterly been a decided revival of interest in bimetallism as the most promising solution. Certainly there is much to be said for international action along these lines. The fixing of a definite ratio between silver and gold, with an enhancement of the value of the former metal, would without the least doubt increase the purchasing power of a big proportion of the people of the world. This in turn must open up trade, to the manifest advantage of everybody. Here at any rate we have one definite proposal which is well worth analysing. Many leading bankers and economists are now supporting the movement. Eventually by mere force of circumstance it may come into its own.

**Naval Pay Dissatisfaction.**  
It is difficult to withhold a measure of sympathy for the men of the Royal Navy who find themselves unable to accept heavy cuts in their pay without a word of protest. The avowed policy of the National Government in formulating their economic measures was equality of sacrifice. Naval ratings have been asked to accept reductions varying from nine-pence to a shilling a day. This represents a very serious cut. In some instances the lower grade ratings are asked to contribute to the saving of sterling by accepting pay of 12/3 to 14/-, less than the workless workshy. The naval authorities in Hongkong state that the majority of the ratings on the China Station have accepted the reductions philosophically, and this being the case, they are to be congratulated. The reduction ordered is one requiring a deep philosophy to stifle feelings of dissatisfaction. It is, in fact, notable tribute to the inherent loyalty of the bluejacket that the only serious development hitherto has occurred among some men of the Atlantic Fleet. Their protests have resulted in a cancellation of the programme of manoeuvres, pending an investigation into representations of hardship. Even in the Atlantic Fleet, it needs to be emphasised, there has been no suggestion of a breakdown of discipline in any way whatsoever. The men feel they have a grievance, have voiced their grievance in the proper quarters, and are good-humouredly awaiting the sequel to their representations. Genuine cases of hardship must exist in the circumstances. It is inconceivable that their claims will not receive earnest consideration. For the others, we feel sure that, however disgruntled they may feel at the moment, they will soon return to the attitude of mind which has earned for them the description of "the Jolly Jack Tar."

### DAY BY DAY

IMPATIENCE DRIES THE BLOOD  
SOONER THAN AGE OR SORROW.—  
Cron.

The P. and O. ss Soudan, from  
Shanghai, is due here via Keelung on  
Saturday morning.

A man named Chan Chin, who was  
said to have spent only six months  
out of prison since 1928, was sentenced to  
12 months' hard labour by Mr.  
Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy  
this morning for returning from  
banishment before his term of 10  
years.

The arrival of a shipment of English  
fresh fruits and vegetables to-day,  
brought out in cold storage, makes an  
experiment which will be watched by  
local residents with interest, for, if  
successful, regular supplies will be  
imported. Messrs. Lane, Crawford  
Ltd. and Mac's Cafeteria are the  
distributing agents.

A 14-year old boy was fined \$200,  
or one month's imprisonment, in  
addition to 12 strokes of the cane, by  
Mr. Fraser, at the Kowloon Magis-  
tracy this morning, for unlawful  
possession of a quantity of opium.  
Defendant said he had been given 20  
cents to carry the drug, which was  
found tied to his waist.

Two cases of attempted suicide, by  
the victims taking opium, came to the  
notice of the police yesterday, with  
the removal to the Government Civil  
Hospital of two Chinese from  
different boarding houses in the city.  
Both are young men and appear to  
have arrived in the Colony recently  
in destitute circumstances.

The Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.C.),  
Ltd., write us in regard to yesterday's  
report of a case concerning the dis-  
covery of three rifles at their North  
Point installation. They state that  
the arms were found by their installa-  
tion Manger, and that the ex-  
employee referred to in the case had  
not sailed for Home, although he has  
left the Colony. It is noted that the  
head storekeeper was not dismissed,  
but had resigned from the Company's  
service. In explanation, we have to  
note that the statements alluded to  
were made by a police officer during  
the hearing of the case.

### HONGKONG BANK REBUILDING.

#### PLANS NOT DEFINITE AS YET.

While admitting that the ques-  
tion of remodelling the Hongkong  
and Shanghai Bank building had  
been under consideration for some  
time, Bank authorities this morning  
declared that reports in the  
vernacular press were not quite  
correct in all their particulars.

Officials said that some few  
months ago it was decided to  
renovate and rebuild the Bank  
building shortly, but no definite  
time had been set down for the  
beginning of the task. That the  
work would be begun next year  
was improbable, as the Bank's  
architects, Messrs. Palmer and  
Turner, had not yet been instructed  
to make a survey of the building  
preparatory to drawing plans  
of the proposed alterations.

In addition, nothing definite has  
been decided on the amount to be  
allocated to the work or what  
arrangements would be made  
while the building is under recon-  
struction.

In other words, she went into  
voluntary liquidation, declaring a  
dividend of approximately four  
shillings in the pound.

And now for some of my readers' queries. Three special diffi-  
culties in regard to France ap-  
pear to present themselves.

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try which came out of the war in  
solvent and in addition, has had

### The Pound and the Franc.

By HUBERT PHILLIPS.

MY article on the gold standard  
has produced a considerable  
crop of queries. I propose, there-  
fore to deal with some of the more  
important of the points that have  
been raised.

#### Gold Standard Countries.

To begin with, I am asked what  
countries are to-day actually on  
the gold standard. The answer  
is: practically all the great trad-  
ing nations of the world. Not  
only Britain, but the U.S.A.,  
Canada, South Africa, and all the  
States of Europe (except Spain,  
Turkey, Jugoslavia and Russia)  
are gold standard countries.

The fact that most of them, like  
ourselves, use paper currency for  
internal purposes, is of course,  
irrelevant.

#### Exceptions—and Why.

Notable exceptions are Aus-  
tralia, Argentina, Chile, Brazil,  
which have been forced off the  
gold standard through incapacity  
to meet their liabilities.

These are all "debtor" coun-  
tries, i.e., countries largely financed  
by foreign capital, the interest on  
which has to be paid out of  
what they produce; and they have  
failed to make ends meet because  
their products are to-day seriously  
undervalued as against the  
products of the countries that lend  
them money. This is a major  
cause of economic dislocation.

Most of the world's currencies,  
then, are gold standard cur-  
rencies; but most of them also,  
since the war, have undergone re-  
construction. Indeed, Britain and  
America are, I believe, the only  
belligerent countries whose cur-  
rencies successfully withstood the  
ordeal of the war and its after-  
math.

#### France After the War.

Take for example, the case of  
France, whose economic position I  
propose to discuss in some detail.  
France, like most other belliger-  
ents, came out of the war insol-  
vent. She was pushed, by force of  
circumstances, so far along the  
perilous path of inflation that  
she could not find her way back.  
She was compelled, that is, to meet  
her national liabilities by print-  
ing paper money, which—as,  
of course, always happens—dimin-  
ished in value as it increased in  
bulk.

Finally, in 1926, when it looked  
as though the franc was going the  
way of the mark (which, as every-  
one knows, collapsed altogether,  
reducing Germany to economic  
chaos), a desperate effort was  
made to stabilise the position.  
France returned to the gold stand-  
ard and a stable currency—  
stable, that is, in terms of other  
currencies—but on a basis of 124.2  
francs to the pound sterling in-  
stead of 25.2 francs as before the  
war.

In other words, she went into  
voluntary liquidation, declaring a  
dividend of approximately four  
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#### The Twopenny Franc.

Now, finally, let me return to  
this question of devaluation. The  
devaluation of the French franc  
(i.e. the substitution of a  
twopenny franc for a tenpenny one)  
was inevitable. Her currency  
was wrecked in the post-war hur-  
ricane, and she salvaged as much  
as she could. She emerged, too,  
not irretrievably damaged, be-  
cause her liabilities were in the  
main an internal problem.

#### The Integrity of Sterling.

Far different would have been  
the case if Britain had similarly  
sacrificed sterling.

Devaluation of the pound in  
1925—when the return to the gold  
standard was made—would have  
had the gravest repercussions  
throughout the world's economic  
structure. Britain cannot think  
in terms of her industry alone, but  
must think also in terms of trade,  
investment, banking and insurance  
on an international scale.

It is for this reason that the  
mysterious entity called "the City"  
speaks always with so much au-  
thority. The "City" does not—as  
the T.U.C.—seems to suppose—  
mean a handful of stock-brokers.

It stands for a nation-wide net-  
work of activities upon the in-  
tegrity of which the bases of our  
prosperity depend.

And if, in 1926, devaluation was  
not sensible, it is out of the ques-  
tion now. To tamper deliberately  
with the exchange value of  
sterling would be suicidal as an  
act of policy. The Report of the  
Macmillan Committee—wherein  
every shade of opinion is repre-  
sented—lends unqualified support  
to this view.



"Officer, I think you're mean not to let us off with a blowing-up. We're strangers here and not acquainted with your parking rules."

**IMPORTANT BANKRUPTCY POINT.**  
EFFECT ON ACTION IN CHINA.

**RULING WITHHELD.**

An interesting point as to whether a Hongkong bankruptcy would debarr action in China for recovery of debts came up for consideration in the Bankruptcy Court this morning before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp). It arose out of an application on behalf of creditors for the rescission of the Receiving Order and withdrawal of the petition against Yan Kwai Kee, trading as Yan Kwai Kee, No. 86, Temple Street South, Yaumati. His Lordship reserved his decision in the matter.

Mr. A. Covey and Mr. E. S. C. Brooks were for petitioning creditors.

Mr. Covey explained that he appeared for some of the creditors with debts totalling \$5,421,76. The application was for rescission of the Receiving Order and withdrawal of the petition but he would ask for an adjournment as his instructions had been received at short notice. He explained that he was not the only solicitor who had been instructed at short notice as there were other creditors who represented debts amounting to \$2,000.

Mr. Brooks said he did not object.

**Official Receiver Objects.**

The Official Receiver, Mr. E. L. Agassiz, said he objected both to the applications and an adjournment. The matter, he said, had been before creditors at two meetings and the position was rather curious. At a meeting of creditors on August 17 a resolution was proposed by a petitioning creditor but there was no seconder. The remainder of the creditors desired that the Receiving Order should be rescinded and the petition withdrawn.

Mr. Agassiz continued: "On what grounds I don't know. I told them, on August 17, that I would adjourn the meeting until August 31 for further consideration of the matter. At the meeting on August 31 a resolution was passed by the creditors that an application be made to the Court to rescind the Receiving Order and withdraw the petition.

"At that meeting I informed the creditors that the case would be put into the list for the next Court, today. I object *in toto* to this adjournment because creditors did not take the trouble to instruct solicitors until immediately before the case was due to come on."

**No Good Reason.**

His Lordship: I don't see any reason for rescission.

The Official Receiver: I cannot conceive of any grounds and there are none as far as I can see.

His Lordship: Mr. Covey, I don't think it is a case for adjournment. It is of course, the fault of the creditors.

Mr. Covey: Under these circumstances, with your consent, I propose to call one of my witnesses to show cause why the rescission should or should not be made.

This course was accepted and a witness stated that debtor owed him \$923.85 for cement supplied. He said debtor's liabilities were about \$17,000 and assets were approximately \$1,720. The firm's property in China was worth about \$7,000. Proceedings were being taken in China to recover.

His Lordship: How do you know that these proceedings?—I know that because I, myself, am starting an action in China against this firm personally.

**Reason Given.**

Asked by Mr. Covey if he would give any reason why the Receiving Order should be rescinded and the petition withdrawn, witness said if debtor were adjudged bankrupt in Hongkong he would raise the defense, when sued in China, that witness ought to have got payment out of the Hongkong bankruptcy, and should not bring a separate action in China.

After pointing out that the proved debts so far were just over \$15,000, the Official Receiver submitted that his Lordship had no power to grant the applications. The only grounds possible were that the Receiving Order ought never to have been made, or that the debts had been paid in full, and, in the present case, neither of those grounds were applicable. Even assuming that Hongkong bankruptcy would debarr proceedings in China which was not proved, that would not be a ground for granting the applications.

**Debtor Absconded.**

Mr. Agassiz added that debtor had absconded so as to get away granted.

**FROM BERLIN TO NANKING.**

**GERMAN FLIERS ARRIVE HERE NEXT WEEK.**

**STUDYING CONDITIONS.**

With the intention of studying for himself, flying conditions throughout Central Asia and the Far East, the German airmen, Hans Bertram, is now flying from Berlin to Nanking, and he intends to visit Hongkong en route.

If he keeps to schedule, he will land at Kai Tak on Friday week, September 25.

Bertram, who is accompanied by Herr Schenker and a mechanic, left Berlin on September 1st in his privately-owned hydroplane, which is an F.13 type of Junker machine. It is not out to set up any speed record, but intends to study conditions.

The aviators are taking Asia Minor, Bagdad, Colombo, Calcutta, Rangoon, Singapore, Batavia, Bangkok, Saigon, Hanoi, Hongkong and Shanghai as their route to Nanking, where they expect to arrive in the early part of October.

In imposing a fine of \$50 on a Chinese for trespassing on a Government Plantation at Aberdeen, where he had taken three children with him to cut firewood, Mr. Schaeffer, at the Central Police Court this morning, told the defendant that the next time he broke the law he should not take children with him. The children, who were also arrested, were cautioned.

Mr. Covey said he did not object.

**Official Receiver Objects.**

The Official Receiver, Mr. E. L. Agassiz, said he objected both to the applications and an adjournment. The matter, he said, had been before creditors at two meetings and the position was rather curious. At a meeting of creditors on August 17 a resolution was proposed by a petitioning creditor but there was no seconder. The remainder of the creditors desired that the Receiving Order should be rescinded and the petition withdrawn.

Mr. Agassiz continued: "On what grounds I don't know. I told them, on August 17, that I would adjourn the meeting until August 31 for further consideration of the matter. At the meeting on August 31 a resolution was passed by the creditors that an application be made to the Court to rescind the Receiving Order and withdraw the petition.

"At that meeting I informed the creditors that the case would be put into the list for the next Court, today. I object *in toto* to this adjournment because creditors did not take the trouble to instruct solicitors until immediately before the case was due to come on."

**No Good Reason.**

His Lordship: I don't see any reason for rescission.

The Official Receiver: I cannot conceive of any grounds and there are none as far as I can see.

His Lordship: Mr. Covey, I don't think it is a case for adjournment. It is of course, the fault of the creditors.

Mr. Covey: Under these circumstances, with your consent, I propose to call one of my witnesses to show cause why the rescission should or should not be made.

This course was accepted and a witness stated that debtor owed him \$923.85 for cement supplied. He said debtor's liabilities were about \$17,000 and assets were approximately \$1,720. The firm's property in China was worth about \$7,000. Proceedings were being taken in China to recover.

His Lordship: How do you know that these proceedings?—I know that because I, myself, am starting an action in China against this firm personally.

**Reason Given.**

Asked by Mr. Covey if he would give any reason why the Receiving Order should be rescinded and the petition withdrawn, witness said if debtor were adjudged bankrupt in Hongkong he would raise the defense, when sued in China, that witness ought to have got payment out of the Hongkong bankruptcy, and should not bring a separate action in China.

After pointing out that the proved debts so far were just over \$15,000, the Official Receiver submitted that his Lordship had no power to grant the applications. The only grounds possible were that the Receiving Order ought never to have been made, or that the debts had been paid in full, and, in the present case, neither of those grounds were applicable. Even assuming that Hongkong bankruptcy would debarr proceedings in China which was not proved, that would not be a ground for granting the applications.

**Debtor Absconded.**

Mr. Agassiz added that debtor had absconded so as to get away granted.

**LUXURIOUS NEW LINERS.**

**P. & O. CARTHAGE AND CORFU COMING.**

**MAGNIFICENT SHIPS.**

Two new magnificent P. and O. liners are to be placed on the China run shortly, these being the Corfu and the Carthage. The former is due in Hongkong on her maiden voyage on November 20th and the latter on February 12th next year.

The new liners bring a new standard of beauty and modernity into Far Eastern travel. They are sister-ships of 14,500 tons, provided with every convenience which forethought and ingenuity have been able to contrive for the comfort or enjoyment of their passengers. There are spacious single and double bedrooms, some with a private bath, all exhibiting the thoughtful care of detail which passengers are accustomed to find in each succeeding addition to the P. and O. Fleet.

The ships possess superbly appointed lobbies, foyers, dining rooms and smoking rooms. Besides two smaller verandahs, each ship has a spacious Verandah Cafe with an American Bar, an open-air swimming bath on deck, a laundry, a delightful children's nursery, and minor facilities for passengers travelling with young families.

All cabins have hot and cold running water and the latest systems of mechanical ventilation. Equally the second saloon presents in every particular a combination of elegance and practical comfort. The second-class public rooms are planned on much the same generous lines as are those of the first-class. The majority of the cabins are for the accommodation of two passengers, though three- and four-bed cabins are available in sufficient numbers.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

**Building Authority Summons.**

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir:—Kindly allow to correct your report in the *Hongkong Telegraph* of yesterday with reference to a summons against the contractor in connexion with No. \$348 Queen's Road Central.

In the first place, the summons was not for failure to use fireproof material; it was only for work carried out without the approval of the Building Authority.

In the second place, although it is correct that permission for the contractor to commence work was held up for a period of two weeks after the expiration of the prescribed 28 days, the chit you refer to, was not a chit; it was an official letter from the Building Authority accompanied by a plan, which did not pass through my hands until a month later, Saturday the 12th inst., or three days after the first hearing of the case.

This fact I cannot account for, I wish I could. The allegation in your report that it was an office oversight is one that reflects adversely on the architect in the eyes of those who are not acquainted with the facts of the case, and one to which I most strenuously object.

Would you therefore kindly give this letter full publicity for the information of all concerned.

Yours etc.,

J. S. GIBSON.

**6,000,000 HOSPITAL PATIENTS.**

**WHAT A YEAR'S WORK COSTS.**

A million in-patients, and 5,000,000 out-patients are treated in London, provincial and Scottish hospitals in the year.

According to the "Hospital's Year Book," issued by the Hospitals' Association and the Red Cross Society, there are:

1,002 voluntary hospitals,

73,186 beds.

The income of 931 hospitals containing 69,230 beds was £13,504,968, and the expenditure £12,646,947. It costs 8 per cent. more in London than in Scotland to maintain a hospital bed, and 61 per cent. more than in the provinces.

Concerning criticism of overcrowding, long hours of waiting and discomfort in out-patient departments, the opinion is expressed that the problem is not insoluble.

A Receiving Order was made against the Cheung Yuen Firm, No. 56, Des Voeux Road West. Mr. F. C. E. Rendall was for a petitioning creditor, who stated that the debt amounted to \$1,000.

The Official Receiver made a formal application for an order for adjudication in terms in respect of Kwong Mee-shing, No. 48a, Bonham Strand West, rice merchant. The application was granted.

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**HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.**

**OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.**

The market this morning continued firm generally.

Banks, which were dealt in at \$2,046, closed in demand at \$2,040. Cantons were in request at \$1,545. Unions had buyers \$555, but no sellers were placed. H.K. Firet were wanted at \$1,485, but nothing resulted.

Wharves were also in request at yesterday's rate—\$1,642.

Whampoa Docks were again wanted at \$220.

Providents (old), after being done at \$64 and \$65, could have been obtained at the later rate. The new shares were the medium of sales at \$3.20.

Hotels (old) were dealt in at \$17.35 and \$17.45, and closed in demand at \$17.34 with sellers asking \$17.74. The new shares were also done, at \$16.65, and terminated with buyers at \$16.60 and sellers at \$17.

Lands were wanted at \$903; after sales at \$902.

Humphreys (old) were in demand at \$22.

Realities, which were done at \$17.35, could have been obtained at \$17.40.

Edwards were in demand at the improved rate of \$16, but shares were not forthcoming at this figure.

Shanghai Cottons were also done, at \$16.65, and terminated with buyers at \$16.60 and sellers at \$17.

Zoong Sings were wanted at \$12.5.

Trans and sellers asking \$23.5; but buyers did not go beyond \$23.4.

Star Ferries and Yau-mai Ferries were in demand at yesterday's quotations—\$35.5 and \$26.5, respectively.

Electricity were put through at \$82.2. Telephones (part paid) were done at \$35.

Cements (combined) advanced to \$20.70 buyers, but sellers were in the market at \$20.90.

Dairy Farms were in request at \$2.5.

Shoeers were wanted at \$20, with no shares being obtained.

Constructions, cum rights, had buyers at \$14.5, and the rights reduced to \$2.62½ nominal.

**ULTIMATUM TO ADMIRALTY.**

(Continued from Page 1.)

is payable, and are therefore maintained by a wife upon the emoluments of an unmarried sailor will be seriously affected. It is in connexion with these men that the investigation will proceed at the earliest possible moment.—*Editor.*

**Local Rating's Complaint.**

A naval rating, signing himself "Not Accepting the Reduction Philosophically," writes us as follows:

"That's what the water of Minnetonka (Lieutenant), René Chemet, 1228, Song-I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen (Westendorf), Song-In the Glomming (Orred-Harrison), Clarence Whitehill (Baritone), 1275, Flute Solo-Wind Amongst the Trees (Briegfeld), Clement Barone (Boisedeffe), Venetian Trio, 20344, 7.41-8.00 p.m. Vocal Gems, Sunny (Harbach and Kern), Coconuts (Berlin), Robin Hood (Smith-de Koven), Victor Light, Opera Company, 36769-36784.

8.00 p.m. Local time; weather report, 8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese studio concert, 10.30 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news, 10.33 p.m. Close down.

**RADIO BROADCAST**

**CHINESE CONCERT FROM STUDIO TO-NIGHT.**

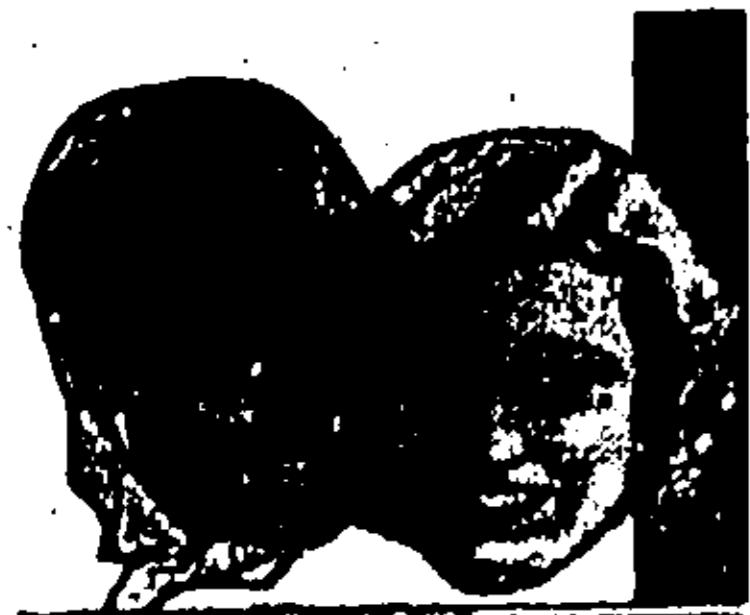
6.00-8.00 p.m. European Programme of Victor Records supplied by Messrs. Taang Fook Piano Co.

6.00-6.21 p.m. Band Selections.

Washington Post March (Sousa).

El Captain March (Sousa).

## MAJESTIC



TO-DAY TO SATURDAY

At 2.30, 5.20, 7.20  
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PLAY--  
DOCTOR'S FIAT.

## LO DOUBTFUL TOO.

Another disappointment in connexion with the forthcoming interport tennis contest between Shanghai and Hongkong at Shanghai next month is revealed this morning, writes "Netcord."

S. A. Rumjahn, who had been selected as Hongkong's No. 1 singles representative, has been advised by doctors that it is advisable for him to play tennis for at least another six weeks, owing to heart strain.

It is therefore practically certain that he will have to resign his position.

M. W. Lo, selected as No. 3 singles, created further anxiety for the harassed Selection Committee to-day, intimating that he may also be unable to accompany the team, which is now reduced to E. C. Fincher and Ho Ku-lau as the only certainties. It is hoped, however, that Lo will find himself in the position to play.

S. A. Rumjahn informed me that he first felt the effects of his strained heart while playing in exhibitions in Canton, when he collapsed on the court. Throughout last week-end he put in serious practice with E. C. Fincher in preparation for the Interport, but after his games on Sunday, he again felt rather sick, and decided to obtain medical advice. The result was contained in two certificates, both of which found that he was suffering from a strained heart, and that it was necessary for him to rest from strenuous games for at least six weeks.

The position of the L.T.A. in consequence is rather acute, as both G. A. L. and H. D. Rumjahn have already refused to join the team, while neither Honda, A. L. Sullivan, nor Goldman are available. The Selection Committee will in all probability meet this afternoon to discuss the new difficulties, and there is just a possibility that they will find themselves unable to send a men's team to Shanghai.

The L. T. A. is determined to do its utmost to send a complete side, but unless something unexpected happens, the local side is bound to be weak and not truly representative of Hongkong tennis talent.

## A Shanghai Team.

Although not officially confirmed by the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, news has just reached the Colony that Shanghai has selected its team to meet Hongkong in the Interport Tennis contest in Shanghai next month.

The team suggested is:

Singles.  
No. 1. Tavares.  
No. 2. Duff.  
No. 3. Kho Hooi-hye.

Doubles.  
No. 1. Canavarro and Tavares.  
No. 2. Duff and Kho.  
This morning, Mr. C. P. F. Janes, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong L.T.A., said he had received no intimation from Shanghai as to the combination of the Northern team, and he was not in the position to confirm the side suggested above. There is a possibility that the local L.T.A. may protest against the inclusion of Kho Hooi-hye, whose status is questioned somewhat.

## EXHIBITION TENNIS.

HAZELL AND RUMJAHN TO  
VISIT CANTON.

Mr. D. H. Hazell, the Eastern Director of Messrs. William Sykes, Ltd., the English sports manufacturers, and C. A. L. Rumjahn, the local tennis champion, have been invited to play a series of exhibition tennis matches in Canton on Saturday and Sunday next.

Some good tennis is anticipated, particularly in view of Canton's victorious singles encounter with S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn recently.

On Saturday, C. A. L. Rumjahn will play Leung, followed by a doubles match between Hazell and J. A. E. Casumbay against G. Bodikor and Chan. Later, Hazell and Rumjahn will play Bodikor and Leung in a five sets match.

Bodikor and Rumjahn will be opposed in a singles encounter on Sunday, while Hazell and Casumbay will meet Leung and Chan. In the afternoon, Hazell and Rumjahn will play a return five-sets match with Bodikor and Leung.

The Governor of Canton and Admiral Chan Chak have kindly consented to act as patrons, and the proceeds will be sent to Nanking in aid of the Hankow Flood Relief Fund.

## BOMB WRECKS ITALIAN CONSULATE.

Dr. Giovanni Giurato, Italian consul, shown standing amid the wreckage in his office after a powerful bomb had wrecked the Italian consulate at Pittsburgh. An exterior view of the wrecked building is shown at the right.



## LEAGUE TENNIS.

CHINESE R.C. WIN "B"  
DIVISION.

The Chinese Recreation Club yesterday defeated the University in their last match of the league tennis season, and have thus won the "B" Division championship of the league.

The University could only secure two of the nine sets at stake, and lost to a better-balanced combination. Scores:

Yew Man-kit and Ho Ku-lau (C.R.C.) beat Dr. J. N. Anderson and Y. F. Chew 7-5; beat G. E. Yeo and Y. K. Ng 7-5; beat F. Y. Kho and T. K. Lien 6-3.

W. C. Hung and Chiu Chun-chiu (C.R.C.) beat Anderson and Chew 6-4; beat Yeo and Ng 6-3; beat Kho and Lien 6-2.

H. Lo and Lu Tak-chuk (C.R.C.) beat Anderson and Chow 6-0; lost to Yeo and Ng 6-7; lost to Kho and Lien 3-0.

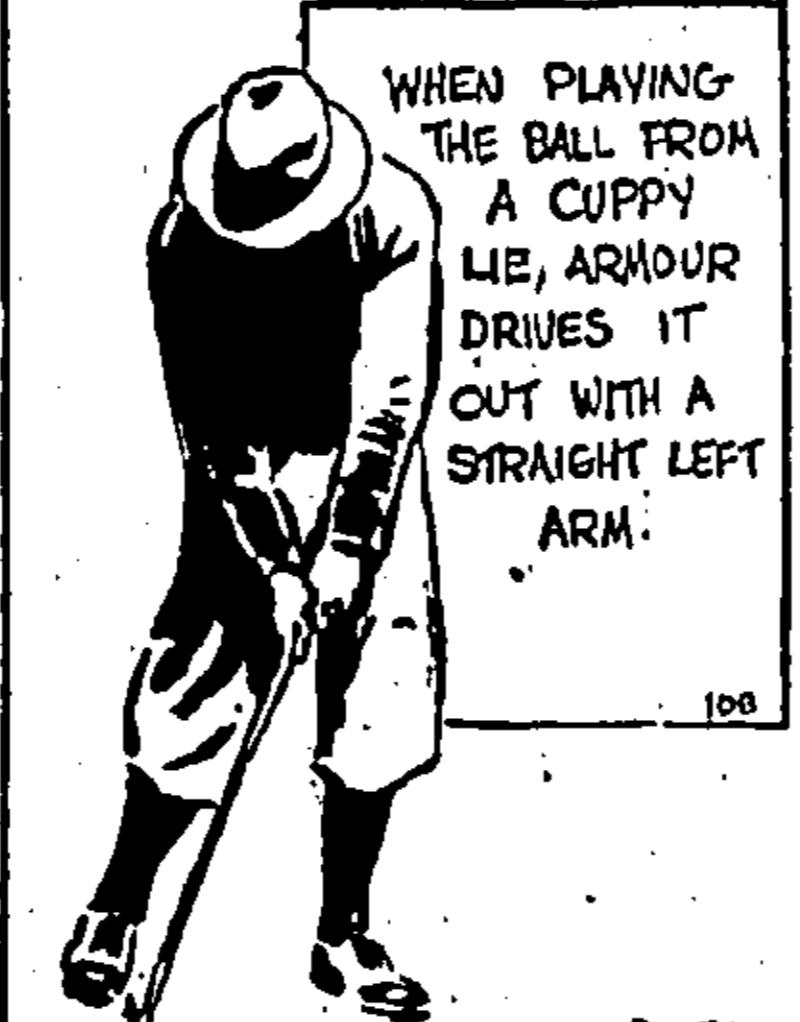
## SPEY ROYAL CUP.

K. C. C. RINK VERSUS  
KOWLOON DOCK.

The Kowloon Cricket Club and Kowloon Docks, semi-finalists in the lawn bowls Spey Royal Cup competition will meet at the Club de Recreio on Sunday, at 3.30 p.m.

The K.C.C. will be represented by:

H. Hampton  
J. Gibson  
J. Fraser  
A. E. Silkstone (skip).

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the STARS  
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How should one play a ball that has found a cuppy lie?

It is practically impossible for a player to insert the blade of the club beneath the ball cleanly without removing some of the soil behind the ball during the process, in which case only a little backspin can be imparted.

When a mashie is used for this stroke, it is unwise to pitch the ball on the green. A risk must sometimes be taken and the ball pitched short of the green and allowed to run.

The left hand should grip firmly and the ball should be driven out by the strength of the left arm. Do not attempt to nip it out of its bad lie with the right hand.

Do not open the face of the club on the backswing, as in a pitch shot. The flight in this case will be lower.—ART KRENZ.

## LOCAL FOOTBALL.

K.F.C. SECOND TEAM'S  
SUCCESS.

The Kowloon Football Club's 2nd XI entertained the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, second string in a friendly game last evening on the K.F.C. ground.

After a very fast first half, the Highlanders led by two to one, Gillott scoring for Kowloon. After the interval, Kowloon came more into the picture and delighted the spectators with some really nice football, goals being scored by Gillott (2), Cotton (2) and Noonan, whilst the Highlanders registered one. The final score was:—Kowloon, 6; Highlanders, 3.

## ANOTHER RUGBY TEAM

K.B.S.F.P.A. TO FORM  
SIDE.

Hongkong is to have more Rugby competition during the coming winter, following the decision of the Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association to form a team, and, promised good support, it expects no difficulty in being able to send out a side.

There was a good attendance at the first practice at King's Park last evening, when preliminary steps were taken in the formation of a team. A committee comprising J. J. Ferguson, F. Angus and G. C. Burnett has been appointed to carry out the early work, but office bearers will not be chosen until more practices have been held.

SPEY ROYAL CUP  
BOWLS GAME.CRAIGENGOWER TO MEET  
CLUB DE RECREIO.

Postponed from last week, the tie in the semi-final of the Spey Royal Cup between the Club de Recreio and the Craigengower C.C. will be played on the Kowloon C.C. green on Sunday afternoon, commencing at 3.30 p.m. The rinks will be as follows:

Club de Recreio. Craigengower.  
C. E. Marques G. L. Buchanan  
L. C. R. Souza R. Basa  
C. G. Silva E. el Arculli  
R. F. Luz (skip) U. M. Omar (skip).

## SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED  
QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Penneath and Co.

London Terminals.  
March 1932 5/8 1/4 down 1/4d.  
May 1932 5/10 1/4 down 1/4d.  
August 1932 5/1 1/4 down 1/4d.  
December 1931 5/6 1/4 down 1/4d.

New York Terminals.  
March 1932 1.89 down 1 pt.  
May 1932 1.40 down 2 pts.  
July 1932 1.45 down 2 pts.  
September 1932 1.61 down 1 pt.  
December 1931 1.82 down 2 pts.

London (10/0/31).—Market continues under the influence of financial conditions. Can see no immediate prospects of sustained improvement.

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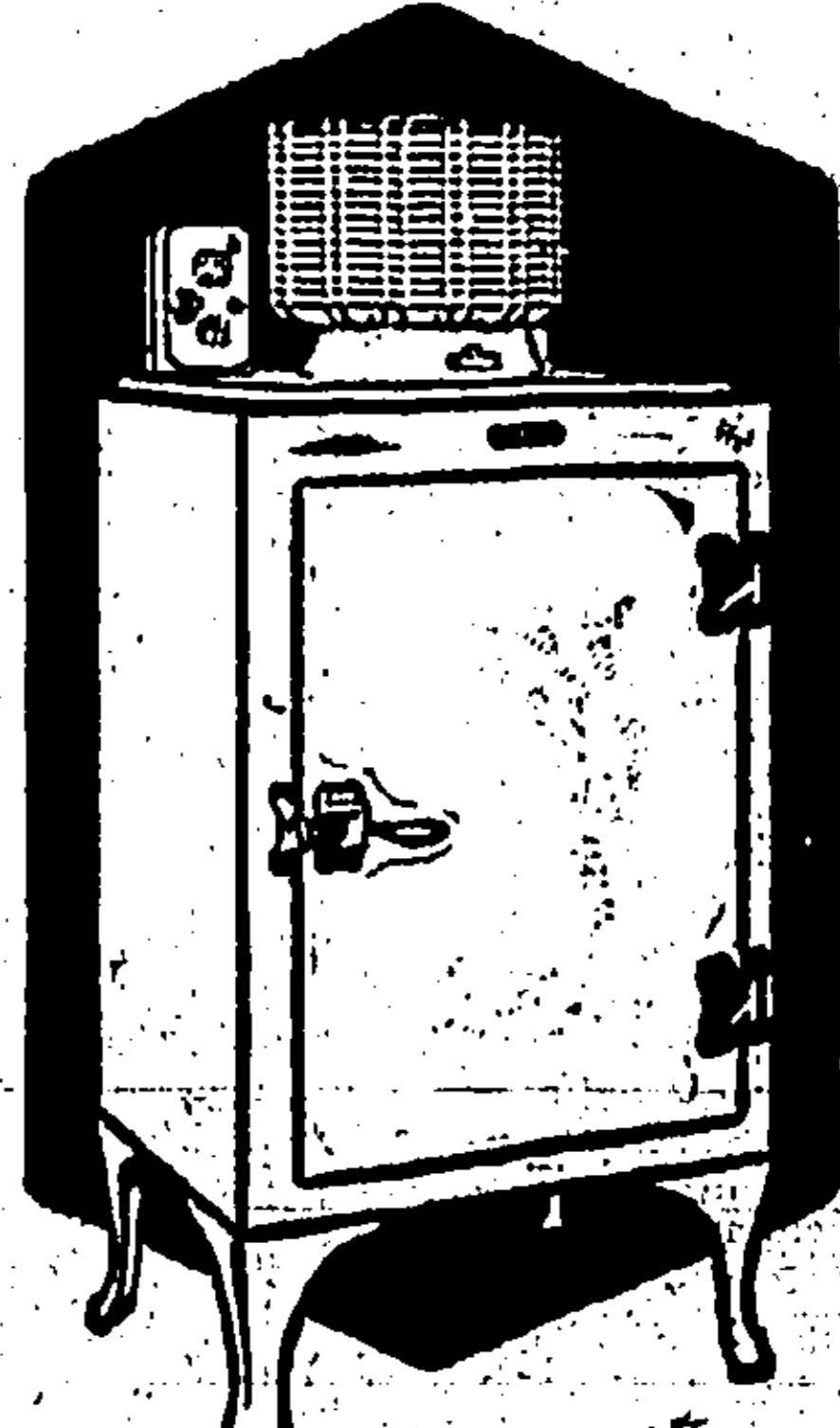
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## NEW YORK SERVICE

MENESTHEUS 5th Oct. For Boston, New York & Baltimore via Philippines & Singapore  
PACIFIC SERVICE (via Kobe and Yokohama)

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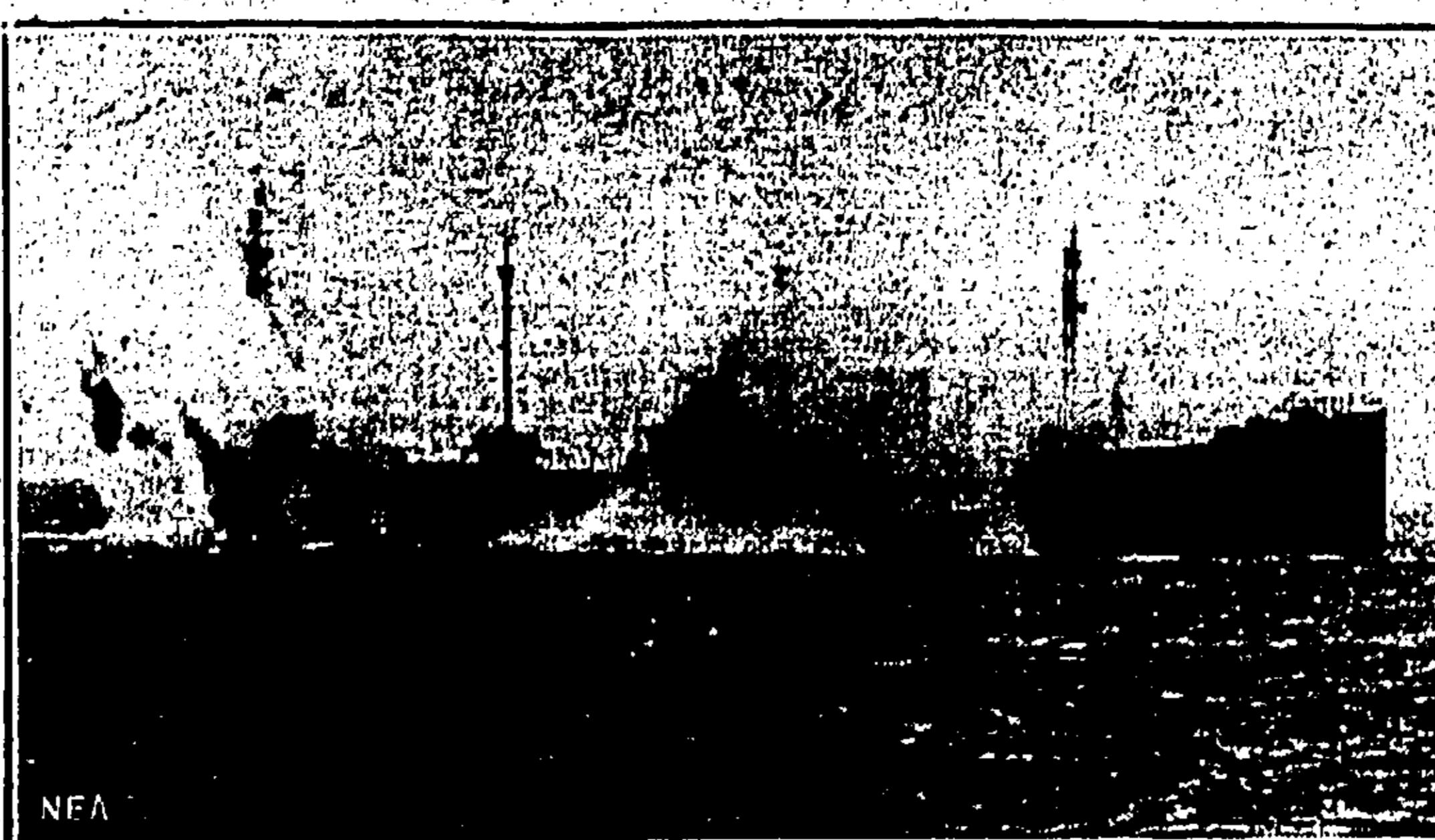
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### "PRODUCE," NOT "REDUCE."

### FAMED FIRM'S REMEDY FOR BAD TRADE.

INCREASE STAFF AND PRODUCTION, SPEND MORE MONEY AND INTENSIFY METHODS OF SALESMANSHIP, IS THE REMEDY FOR FIGHTING INDUSTRIAL DEPRESSION PUT FORWARD BY MR. RICHARD HAIGH, MANAGER OF THE HOME TRADE BRANCH OF HIS MISTER'S VOICE GRAMOPHONE COMPANY. PEOPLE STILL HAVE THE MONEY, HE DECLARED, BUT THEY ARE AFRAID TO SPEND IT.

SIX MONTHS AGO, MR. HAIGH CONTINUED, HIS FIRM LAUNCHED AN AMBITIOUS SCHEME, AND, INSTEAD OF DISMISSING PART OF THEIR WORK-PEOPLE AND CLOSING CERTAIN OF THEIR FACTORIES, DECIDED TO PRODUCE TWICE AS MUCH AS THEY HAD EVER DONE BEFORE, TO INCREASE THEIR STAFFS AND TO KEEP THEIR FACTORIES GOING DAY AND NIGHT. "AND I BELIEVE WE ARE GOING TO GET AWAY WITH IT," HE ADDED.

IF MANUFACTURERS WOULD TAKE THEIR COURAGE IN BOTH HANDS AND MEET THE DIFFICULT TIMES BY A SIMILAR SPIRIT OF ENTERPRISE, MR. HAIGH BELIEVED THAT, BY THE END OF 1931, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO SHOW A FAR MORE SATISFACTORY INDUSTRIAL POSITION THAN WE COULD TO-DAY.

THE GRAMOPHONE COMPANY, HE SAID, WERE INTENSIFYING ADVERTISING AND DEVELOPING SALESMANSHIP BY SENDING OUT "FLYING SQUADS" INTO DISTRICTS WHERE RADIO-GRAMOPHONES HAD NEVER BEEN HEARD.

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### JAPANESE QUAKE.

### TOKYO GETS A SEVERE SHAKING.

TOKYO, Sept. 16. TOKYO AND VICINITY WERE ROCKED BY A SEVERE EARTHQUAKE AT 9.45 TO-NIGHT. HITHERTO NO DAMAGE HAS BEEN REPORTED.—REUTERS.

### LAID TO REST.

### TWO FUNERALS AT ROMAN CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. D'ALMADA, WHOSE DEATH UNDER TRAGIC CIRCUMSTANCES WAS REQUESTED YESTERDAY, TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AT THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CEMETERY. THE RIGHT REVEREND BISHOP VULTORIA OFFICIATED.

AMONGST THOSE PRESENT AT THE FUNERAL WERE MESSRS. J. H. SEITH, L. E. LAMMERT, J. MURPHY, A. EL AREULLI, H. A. DE BOTELHO, R. D'ALMADA E CASTRO, J. T. D'ALMADA E CASTRO, C. D'ALMADA E CASTRO, L. LAURITSON, T. MURPHY, LEO D'ALMADA E CASTRO, SR., LEO D'ALMADA E CASTRO, JR., F. G. JENKIN, K. C. H. G. SHELTON, G. S. HUGH JONES, D. H. BLAKE, P. M. N. DA SILVA, R. PESTONJI, A. M. L. SOARES, J. M. DA ROCHA, A. H. BOTELHO, F. GRANT, A. A. ALVES AND J. M. D'ALMADA REMELLES.

THE CHIEF MOURNERS WERE MR. F. X. D'ALMADA, SR. (FATHER) AND MR. F. X. D'ALMADA, JR. (BROTHER).

FLORAL TRIBUTES WERE SENT BY "SORROWING PARENTS," "SORROWING BROTHER SONNIE"; MR. AND MRS. T. YOSHIDA, MR. AND MRS. C. A. DE ROZA AND FAMILY, MR. AND MRS. F. X. A. DA SILVA AND FAMILY, MR. AND MRS. J. C. MORNACI, HON. MR. AND MRS. W. E. L. SHENTON, CHEVALIER AND MRS. ALVES, MR. AND MRS. ALFRED M. L. SOARES, MR. AND MRS. H. ODELL, MR. AND MRS. A. H. POTTS, DR. AND MRS. A. P. GUTERRES, MR. AND MRS. S. DUNN, MR. AND MRS. BONACHEA, MR. AND MRS. J. M. DA ROCHA AND FAMILY, MR. AND MRS. L. E. GUTERRES AND FAMILY, MR. AND MRS. J. H. TAGGART, MR. AND MRS. F. P. LAUREL, AND MR. AND MRS. F. S. FERNANDO;

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MRS. VITIMA DROUTH, EDITH SOARES, MRS. WEILL AND FAMILY, WAI LOONG BANK, HAU CHUEN BANK, STAFF, D'ALMADA AND MASON, AND HIP SON AND COMPANY. A NUMBER OF OTHER WREATHS WERE ALSO SENT.

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### THIEF CRITICISES BORSTAL.

### "A FAILURE EIGHT TIMES OUT OF TEN."

A YOUNG THIEF'S CRITICISM OF THE BORSTAL SYSTEM WAS READ AT WESTMINSTER POLICE COURT RECENTLY.

MICHAEL KENNEDY, AGED 23, WAS CHARGED WITH HAVING BEEN FOUND AT 4 A.M. ON THE ROOF OF A HOUSE IN WILTON-ROAD, S. W., AND WITH STEALING PROPERTY FROM BED-ROOMS AT THE WILTON AND MARNE HOTELS.

KENNEDY, WHO IS ON LICENCE FROM BORSTAL, PLEADED GUILTY, AND IN A WRITTEN STATEMENT SAID: "I WAS SENTENCED TO THREE YEARS BORSTAL IN 1929 FOR A CRIME I DIDN'T COMMIT. I SOON FOUND SOME CLEVER YOUNG CROOKS AMONG MY COMPANIONS, AND I PICKED UP A FEW USEFUL THINGS THAT WOULD HELP ME WHEN I WAS RELEASED. I MIGHT TELL YOU, SIR, THAT BORSTAL IS A FAILURE EIGHT TIMES OUT OF TEN."

"NOTHING IS TAUGHT A YOUNG OFFENDER THAT WOULD BE ANY GOOD TO HIM, AND SO HE FINDS HIMSELF A BIGGER ROGUE WHEN HE GETS OUT. ONE HAS ONLY TO GO TO DARTMOOR, TINTERN, MIDSTONE, OR EVEN LOCAL PRISONS TO FIND MORE EX-BORSTAL BOYS THAN ANY OTHER CLASS—WHICH PROVES THE SYSTEM IS A FAILURE."

"AFTER TWO YEARS AND TWO MONTHS I GOT MY DISCHARGE AND WAS FOUND A JOB. BUT WHEN I HAD PAID MY FEES, &C., I ONLY HAD 7s. TO CARRY ON WITH. I TOLD THE BORSTAL AUTHORITIES AND THAT I HAD TURNED THE JOB IN. THEY SAID MY LICENCE WOULD BE REVOKED IF I CARRIED ON LIKE THAT. WELL, MY MONEY WAS GONE AND I HAD TO EAT. I COMMITTED THEFTS, FOR WHICH I AWAITS SENTENCE. I PLEAD FOR ONE MORE CHANCE. IF I HAD NOT BEEN SENT TO BORSTAL I SHOULD HAVE BEEN LEDGING AN HONEST LIFE TO-DAY."

MR. GILL SENTENCED KENNEDY TO 14 DAYS' HARD LABOUR AND SAID THAT AT THE EXPIRATION OF THE SENTENCE HE WOULD BE SENT BACK TO BORSTAL TO COMPLETE THE UNEXPIRED TERM.

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## BRITISH NAVAL UNREST.

## ADMIRALTY DISCUSSES THE WHOLE AFFAIR.

## ALLEVIATORY PLANS.

London, Sept. 16.  
There have been rapid developments to-day in the situation created by the promulgation of reduced rates of naval pay.

A conference was held at the Admiralty this morning between the First Lord, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Rear Admiral Colvin (of H.M.S. Nelson), Chief of Staff to Admiral Tomkinson (who is remaining at Invergordon), Sir Charles Madden, the First Sea Lord, and other members of the Board. Admiral Colvin explained the precise position at Invergordon, and a statement may be issued later.

## Alleviation Promised.

Later. In the House of Commons this evening, Sir Austen Chamberlain stated that the Atlantic fleet ships had been ordered to proceed to their home ports forthwith, where the Commanders-in-Chief and the Admiralty will investigate the classes of cases allegedly involving hardship. The Government has authorised the Admiralty to propose alleviatory measures.

## Reception by House.

The announcement was greeted with prolonged Labour cheers and Ministerial taunts.

At the conclusion of the reply Sir Austen was subjected to a volley of questions, into which Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was drawn.

Sir Austen Chamberlain declined to accept a suggestion that the men were not enabled to represent their own cases adequately. He thought Parliamentary authorisation was unnecessary with regard to any adjustments which might be desirable.

From the First Lord, Mr. Alexander, an enquiry by Mr. MacDonald if the revision would now happen over all cuts, evoked the reply that the general rule applied in block cuts by all departments had been that the burden of adjusting such savings was a matter for the department's own internal arrangement.

The Speaker refused an application for leave to adjourn the House to discuss the abandonment of the fleet exercises, and further Labour attempts to keep the discussion going failed.

## Normal Routine.

Reports from Invergordon state that all the ships are lying at their customary anchorages and moorings in Cromarty Firth. Drills and duties comprising the daily programme of ships in harbour are being carried out as usual, also routine shore duties such as the collection of mails and stores. No libertymen (ratings who are granted shore leave), however, are allowed to leave the ships.

The number of ships involved is sixteen, including the Hood, the flagship, and the monster battleship Nelson and Rodney.

## At Chatham.

Conditions at the Chatham depot are normal. The sailors are allowed the usual leave, and there is no sign of dissatisfaction or trouble. The newspapers with details from Invergordon are being read most eagerly, and the news is evidently being maintained.—Reuter.

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An officer arriving from Invergordon, interviewed by Reuter, said:

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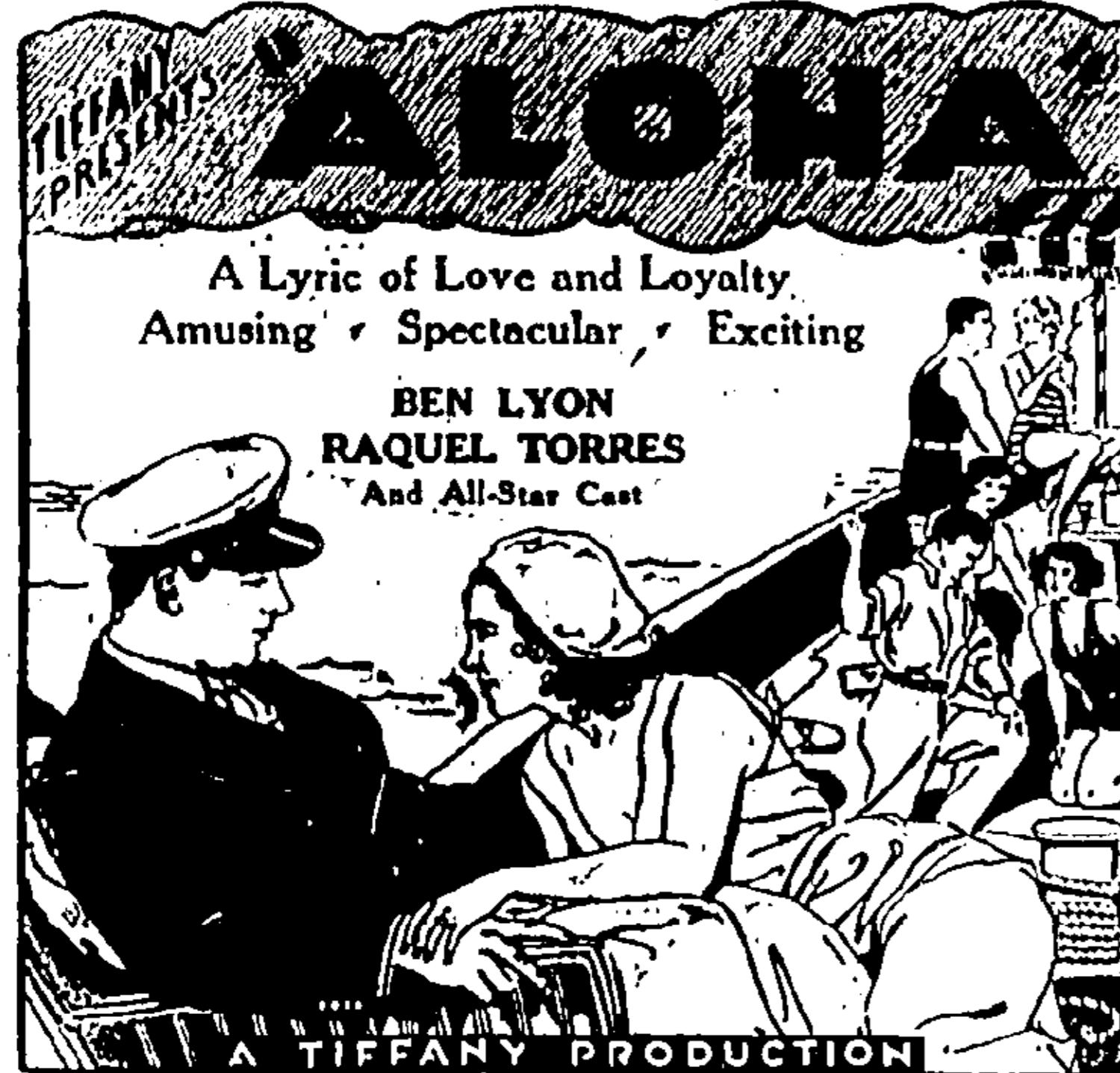
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## Arsenal's Big Victory.

### Portsmouth Fail at Home.

London, Sept. 16. The Arsenal, who indicated on Saturday that they were getting into their stride, obtained a smashing 3-nil victory over Portsmouth to-day and jump to fourth place in the League table. Everton met with another defeat.

First victories were obtained by Queen's Park Rangers, who beat Swindon at Swindon, avenging themselves for last week's debacle, and Hartlepools, while Gateshead surrendered their unbeaten certificate at York.

Full results follow:

First Division.			
Derby	3	Everton	0
Liverpool	7	Middlesbrough	0
Portsmouth	0	Arsenal	3
Sunderland	2	Birmingham	3

Second Division.			
Bradford	3	Charlton	0
Manchester U.	1	Stoke City	1
Notts Forest	2	Preston	2
Plymouth	2	Bristol C.	1

Third Division (South).			
Bristol Rov.	2	Clapton O.	1
Cry. Palace	2	Brighton	0
Exeter	0	Northampton	1
Swindon	1	Q.P.R.	2
Torquay	2	Fulham	3
Watford	4	Mansfield	2

Third Division (North).			
Chester	2	Hartlepools	3
Darlington	2	Hull City.	3
York City	3	Gateshead	3

Scottish League.			
Motherwell	6	Third Lanark	0
Partick T.	1	Dundee	3

### DEATH OF NOTED SCIENTIST.

### SIR HOWARD GRUBB PASSES.

London, Sept. 16. The death is announced of Sir Howard Grubb, who has been scientific adviser to the Commissioners of Irish Lights since 1913.

Born in 1844, he was educated privately and at Trinity College, Dublin, and he later established a manufacture in Dublin for astronomical instruments and instruments of precision. He has been for many years contractor to British, Colonial and foreign Governments for the supply of such instruments.

In 1881, he received the Cunningham Gold Medal, while in 1912 he was awarded the Boyce Medal. He was Governor of the Royal Dublin Society, and Deputy Lieutenant for the City of Dublin.—Reuter.

## GANDHI UNDER FIRE.

### Address to Labour M.P.s.

London, Sept. 16. Many ex-Ministers and practically all the rank and file of the Labour Party present in the House of Commons, filled a Committee Room to hear Gandhi, who to-night addressed Labour M.P.s. Gandhi explained his aims and reiterated that he wanted independence for India for the sake of the dumb, semi-starved millions of Indians.

He was then kept busy for twenty minutes, answering questions bearing almost entirely upon the industrial situation and the boycott of Lancashire cloth.

In the course of his replies, Gandhi said he was pleading the case of the villagers, from whom the present system was draining the last drop of blood.—Reuter.

### ROUND TABLE PROGRESS.

### FRIENDLY SPIRIT IN EVIDENCE.

London, Sept. 16. The Federal Structure Committee of the Round Table Conference held two further meetings to-day.

Having listened to expressions of general views on India's constitutional problem from delegates representing practically all sections of the community, the Committee has now settled down to an examination of the details which have been tabulated by the Chairman, Lord Sankey, under four heads of discussion.

Satisfactory progress has already been made in a friendly and businesslike atmosphere.

To-day's discussions were concerned with the question of direct and indirect methods of election of representative to the Federal Legislature.—British Wireless.

### SINO-MEXICAN SITUATION.

### THE POSITION NOW LESS RESTRAINED.

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